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Subject: FW: For your review -- R10 draft letter to Oregon re Umatilla section 1431 petition

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FYI, I learned this week that R10 ECAD and Water Division are reviewing a SDWA 1431 Petition submitted by Food & Water Watch in January 2020 alleging potential high levels of nitrates from agricultural sources in private wells in the Umatilla Basin of Oregon and are planning to send the attached letter to the State asking for additional information and data and an explanation of "steps [that] can be taken to mitigate any health risks associated with elevated nitrates in these private wells." I will Ex. 5 Attorney Client (AC)

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Best,

David

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## David

At a recent reg review, you had mentioned that you wanted to see the draft letter that Region 10 plans to send to Oregon regarding the SDWA 1431 petition seeking emergency action to address nitrate contamination in the Lower Umatilla Basin. Region 10 sent me the draft letter (attached) this evening, indicating that they are briefing Lauris Davies (Acting Director, ECAD) this Thursday at 2 pm and recommending signature of the letter. They are also sharing the letter with their RA this week, with a note indicating that you have asked to review the letter before it is signed. Please let me know if you have any comments or would like to discuss further. Thanks.

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